



## *American Legion Auxiliary*

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Dear Unit President,

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This will be our last Unit Mailing unit this fall so if there is any information you need or questions to be answered, make sure and call the Department Chairmen, District President or Department Office for answers.

Ladies, we are again posting upcoming Resolutions on the website as they come in to the Department Office. I would appreciate you reading these in advance as they will be presented at the Department Convention this July. You can discuss them with your members. If you have any questions regarding the proposed Resolutions, please call the Department Office at your convenience.

**Department Convention - Delegation Strength** - The 2019 Department Convention will be held on July 11 – 13, 2019 at the Willmar Conference Center with Willmar American Legion Family Post 167 serving as our hosts. All registration information is in the Legionnaire and also our website.

**Poppy Contests** - Poppy Chairman Shaaron Barnes announced that there will be two Poppy Contests held at the Department Convention. They are a Poppy Plant or Terrarium and a Stuffed Animal

**2019 – 2020 Unit Officers** - Make sure and get your Unit Officers list back to the Department Office. We need this information to forward on to the National Headquarters. Also, a third reminder to those of you who haven't send in your 2020 Dues Notices. If I don't have your new dues reported National by May 10, your dues notices will have the incorrect amounts on them. I need them immediately, even if your dues aren't changing. A copy of the forms are also on our website - you can download, fill it out and email it back to me at [sandie@mnala.org](mailto:sandie@mnala.org).

Here is a History tidbit for you. I was unsure of exactly how many conventions the Department of Minnesota has had so I called National and had it explained that the Department of Minnesota will be holding its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this July and the National Organization will be holding their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in August of 2020. The Department of Minnesota actually held the first convention in 1919 and that was before the National Organization was established. This came directly from Cathi Taylor in Indianapolis! I thought you might like to know this interesting fact.

Have a very safe and enjoyable summer – remember Jan and I are ready and willing to help you with any of your needs.

Sandie Deutsch  
Department Executive Secretary